IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

NATIONAL STARCH AND CHEMICAL INVESTMENT HOLDING CORPORATION, PENFORD AUSTRALIA LTD, and PENFORD HOLDINGS PTY,

Plaintiffs,

C.A. No. 04-1443-GMS

v.

CARGILL, INC. and MGP INGREDIENTS, INC.,

Defendants.

DEFENDANTS CARGILL, INC. AND MGP INGREDIENTS, INC.'S MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE FIRST AMENDED ANSWERS AND COUNTERCLAIMS

Defendants Cargill, Inc. and MGP Ingredients, Inc. move pursuant to Rules 13 and 15 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure to amend their Answers and Counterclaims. The reasons for Defendants' motion to amend are fully set forth in the Opening Brief in Support of Defendants Cargill, Inc. and MGP Ingredients, Inc.'s Motion for Leave to File First Amended Answers and Counterclaims filed herewith.

Copies of Defendants' Amended Answers and Counterclaims are attached hereto as Exhibit A. Blacklined copies of the Amended Answers and Counterclaims showing changes from the original documents are attached hereto at Exhibit B.

WHEREFORE, Defendants request that the Court grant this motion to amend.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on February 1, 2006, I electronically filed with the Clerk of Court DEFENDANTS CARGILL, INC. AND MGP INGREDIENTS, INC.'S MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE FIRST AMENDED ANSWERS AND **COUNTERCLAIMS** using CM/ECF which will send electronic notification of such filing(s) to the following Delaware counsel. In addition, the filing will also be sent via hand delivery:

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